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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the Abstract on page 23 of the Specification with the following amended

Abstract:

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

An artificial turf system which includes a support layer, a base layer, and an outer layer. The support layer comprises an area of selected size and composition. The base layer comprises at least one grid which consists of a plurality of interconnected cells. The base layer is positioned over the support layer. Each cell forming the grid comprises an upstanding tubular member which includes an upper portion, having a first diameter, and a lower portion having a second diameter. The lower cell portion provides the cell with vertical flexibility. The plurality ~~cells~~ of cells provide the grid with selected vertical movement on contact providing the artificial turf system with improved softness.